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Notification of Non-Compliance With 37 CFR 1.192(c)	Application No. 09/503,757	Applicant(s) HOASHI ET AL.
	Examiner Hai V. Nguyen	Art Unit 2142

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The Appeal Brief filed on 10 September 2004 is defective for failure to comply with one or more provisions of 37 CFR 1.192(c). See MPEP § 1206.

To avoid dismissal of the appeal, applicant must file IN TRIPPLICATE a complete new brief in compliance with 37 CFR 1.192(c) within the longest of any of the following three TIME PERIODS: (1) ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this Notification, whichever is longer; (2) TWO MONTHS from the date of the notice of appeal; or (3) within the period for reply to the action from which this appeal was taken. EXTENSIONS OF THESE TIME PERIODS MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136.

1. The brief does not contain the items required under 37 CFR 1.192(c), or the items are not under the proper heading or in the proper order.
2. The brief does not contain a statement of the status of all claims, pending or cancelled, or does not identify the appealed claims (37 CFR 1.192(c)(3)).
3. At least one amendment has been filed subsequent to the final rejection, and the brief does not contain a statement of the status of each such amendment (37 CFR 1.192(c)(4)).
4. The brief does not contain a concise explanation of the claimed invention, referring to the specification by page and line number and to the drawing, if any, by reference characters (37 CFR 1.192(c)(5)).
5. The brief does not contain a concise statement of the issues presented for review (37 CFR 1.192(c)(6)).
6. A single ground of rejection has been applied to two or more claims in this application, and
 - (a) the brief omits the statement required by 37 CFR 1.192(c)(7) that one or more claims do not stand or fall together, yet presents arguments in support thereof in the argument section of the brief.
 - (b) the brief includes the statement required by 37 CFR 1.192(c)(7) that one or more claims do not stand or fall together, yet does not present arguments in support thereof in the argument section of the brief.
7. The brief does not present an argument under a separate heading for each issue on appeal (37 CFR 1.192(c)(8)).
8. The brief does not contain a correct copy of the appealed claims as an appendix thereto (37 CFR 1.192(c)(9)).
9. Other (including any explanation in support of the above items):

The Appeal Brief filed on 10/09/04, is defective because a concise explanation of the summary of the invention requires references to the specification by page and line number and to the drawings by reference characters.



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3. Status of All Claims

Claims 1-15, inclusive, are on appeal. Claims 1-15 are original claims and have not been amended during prosecution. The claims on appeal are set forth in Appendix 1 hereto for ready reference.

4. Status of All Amendments Filed After Final Rejection

An Amendment After Final Rejection, filed on or about May 10, 2004, was considered by the Examiner, but he indicated in an Advisory Action dated July 19, 2004 that it did not place the application in condition for allowance.

5. Concise Summary of the Invention

The present invention provides method and apparatus for automatic information filtering which are capable of improving both precision and recall and accurately judging inappropriateness of the content even for a page that contains very few or no text information and only displays images, by utilizing an upper level URL of a URL given in a hierarchical structure.

6. Concise Statement of All Issues Presented for Review

The following issues are presented for review:

1. Whether claims 1-15, inclusive, are anticipated by Hughes et al. under 35 U.S.C. 102.

7. Grouping of Claims for Each Ground of Rejection

Since all of claims 1-15 were rejected as being anticipated by Hughes et al., all claims stand or fall together.